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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: KADAR VISIT TO THE FRG

REF: BUDAPEST 883

1. THE KADAR VISIT TO THE FRG IS NOW SET FOR JULY 4-8.
HE WILL SPEND THE FIRST TWO DAYS IN BONN IN MEETINGS
WITH THE GERMAN LEADERSHIP. THE FINAL THREE DAYS WILL
BE DEVOTED TO VISITS TO LAENDER, BUT THE ITINERARY
IS NOT YET SET.

2. THE IMPORTANCE OF THE VISIT WILL BE MAINLY
SYMBOLIC AND ATMOSPHERIC. IT WILL BE KADAR'S FIRST
OFFICIAL VISIT TO ANY WESTERN COUNTRY OTHER THAN
NEIGHBORING AUSTRIA. THE VISIT HAS BEEN IN THE WORKS
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EVER SINCE RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN 1973.
IT WAS POSTPONED FROM 1976 BECAUSE OF THE CONTROVERSY
IN THE FRG OVER RATIFICATION OF THE POLISH EMIGRATION
AGREEMENTS, ALONG WITH ITS DEBILITATING EFFECT ON RELA-
TIONS WITH EASTERN EUROPE. THE FACT THAT THE VISIT IS
NOW DEFINITELY SCHEDULED REPRESENTS NOT ONLY
NORMALCY IN GERMAN-HUNGARIAN RELATIONS, BUT ALSO, IN

GERMAN EYES, THE COMPLETION OF A PROCESS WHICH STARTED WITH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN 1973. GIVEN THE ABSENCE OF PROBLEMS TO RESOLVE, AS WELL AS THE LACK SO FAR OF HUNGARIAN WILL TO STRIKE OUT WITH THE FRG ON FOREIGN POLICY PATHS WHICH ARE EITHER INNOVATIVE OR INDEPENDENT OF THE SOVIET UNION, THERE IS NOT LIKELY TO BE MUCH CONCRETE ACCOMPLISHED.

3. BOTH SIDES HAVE, HOWEVER, MADE AN EFFORT TO INTRODUCE SUBSTANCE INTO THE VISIT. THEY HAVE, FOR EXAMPLE, INITIALED A CULTURAL AGREEMENT WHICH WILL BE READY FOR SIGNATURE DURING THE VISIT. THE HUNGARIANS HAVE ALSO PROPOSED A CONSULAR AGREEMENT. ANTICIPATING THEIR INABILITY TO RESOLVE NATIONALITY AND BERLIN CLAUSE PROBLEMS SATISFACTORIALLY, THE GERMANS HAVE DECLINED TO NEGOTIATE. THEY REPLIED THAT THEY PREFER TO RELY ON THEIR RIGHTS UNDER THE VIENNA CONVENTION. WE EXPECT THAT EFFORTS WILL CONTINUE AND MAY WELL RESULT IN A JOINT DECLARATION OR COMMUNIQUE WHICH WILL NOT BE DEVOID OF SUBSTANCE.

4. WE AGREE WITH BUDAPEST THAT KADAR'S VISIT TO EAST GERMANY WAS PROMPTED AT LEAST IN PART BY THE DESIRE TO MEET WITH HONECKER PRIOR TO COMING TO BONN. THAT THIS RESULTED IN HAVING TO CHANGE THE DATES FOR KADAR'S VISIT FROM MARCH TO JULY PROBABLY DID NOT CAUSE ANY REGRET IN EAST BERLIN. CHANCELLERY AND FONOFF SOURCES HAVE NOT, HOWEVER, DISPLAYED ANY CHAGRIN OVER THE POSTPONEMENT. STOESEL
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